

REMARKS

I. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 100-105 are allowed.

Claim 97 is "objected to". To place the application in condition for allowance, the rejected independent claims are amended herein to include the features of "objected to" claim 97. More specifically, independent claims 92 and 98 are amended to include the features of "objected to" claim 97, and claim 97 is canceled. Therefore, independent claims 92 and 98 should be allowable.

Dependent claims 93-96 should be allowable for at least the reason that they depend from claim 92. In addition, it is respectfully submitted that these dependent claims recite additional features not shown in the cited references.

Independent claim 99 should be allowable for at least the reason that it depends from claim 98. In addition, it is respectfully submitted that this dependent claim recites additional features not shown in the cited references.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that claims 92-96 and 98-105 are currently pending and should all be allowable.

II. CONCLUSION

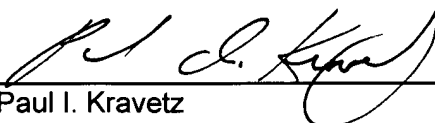
In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,

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